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**NOTICE OF APPEAL FROM THE EXAMINER TO THE
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Applicant hereby appeals to the Board of Patent Appeals and Interferences from the decision of the examiner date, 08/23/2006, rejecting the following claims 1-8. The fee for this Notice of Appeal is (37 CFR 1.17(B)) \$500.00.

(complete (a) or (b) as applicable)

The proceedings herein are for a patent application and the provisions of 37 CFR 1.13 6(a) apply.

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- ☐ The extension fee has already been filed in this application

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- ☒ (b) Applicant believes that no extension of time is required. However, this conditional petition is being made to provide for the possibility that applicant has inadvertently overlooked the need for a petition and fee for extension of time.

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